

SOCIAL and PERSONAL

MR. AND MRS. JAMES HOGE CHENSHAW announce the engagement of their daughter, Rachel, to William Baxter French, of Parkersburg, W. Va. The marriage will take place early in April. *Lecture Illustrated in Song.*

Before a large audience, which was most enthusiastic and appreciative, Dr. H. D. C. MacLachlan, of Seventh Street Christian Church, spoke at Woman's Club yesterday afternoon on "Robert Burns," his subject being fittingly illustrated at intervals by quaint Scottish songs, almost the whole program being taken from the exquisite ballads of Burns and sung by Mrs. Clifton M. Miller in her inimitable way.

Mrs. Miller and Miss Mabel Simms, her accompanist, are both heard at their best in the rendition of these ballads, and the program was introduced most gracefully by "Robin Adair," "Loch Lomond," "Comin' Thru the Rye," "My Luv Is Like a Red, Red Rose," and "O Willie Brought a Peck o' Maut" followed.

After the introduction, in which he quoted Hamilton Wright Mable in saying that for the last two centuries the world has never been out of hearing of a great Scotchman's voice, he spoke of the aim of Burns to be the first poet of Scotland, his patriotism and personal ambition uniting in that purpose.

In his synopsis of Burns, the poet, in those characteristics which show so plainly in his poetry, Dr. MacLachlan emphasized plainly the element of truth, in as faithfully "holding up the mirror to nature" as Shakespeare himself. His intense love of nature and the remarkable range of his sympathies was plainly brought out in the exquisite ballads, this criticism of the poet ending with a treatment of Burns, the satirist. Following this, his representation of Burns, the man, was just and discriminating and made a fitting close to a most enjoyable treatise.

Hostesses of the evening were: Mrs. Werner, Mrs. Philip Tallaferr, Mrs. Lewis Blair, Mrs. Peyton Grymes, Mrs. Dillard, Mrs. C. C. Walker and Mrs. Bland Smith.

Hostesses To Day. Miss Harris, Miss Gertrude Camm and Miss Toopkins will be assisted to-day in the Jefferson team by Miss Anne Royall, Miss Josephine Elliott, Miss Daisy Boykin and Miss Barbara Trigg, who will be attractive hostesses in greeting their guests this afternoon.

Yesterday Miss Evelyn Gordon, Mrs. St. George Bryan, and Mrs. Edward C. Mayo were in charge, and invited among several of their friends Miss Maude Morgan, Miss Helen Adams and Miss Daisy Boykin to receive with them.

Saturday afternoon Miss Hickok and Mrs. Thomas Pinckney Bryan were assisted by Miss Roberta Trigg and Miss Gordon and entertained with the usual coterie of Richmond women, a number of guests of the hotel, Mrs. McGill, of Petersburg, was present.

Mrs. McGuire at Presentation. Mrs. Hunter McGuire, who is spending some time in Staunton, was present yesterday with her sister, Mrs. A. F. Robertson, at the unveiling of the portrait of late A. H. H. Stuart, which took place in the courtroom in Staunton.

Among Mr. Stuart's grandchildren present were Miss Fannie Gibson, Mrs. C. W. Montague, Misses Sarah and Susie Robertson and A. Stuart Robertson.

With the Old Dominion Chapter. At the last regular meeting of the Old Dominion Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy, Miss Mollie Early read the first of a series of letters selected from letters and diaries written during the early days of the Confederacy.

An important meeting of the Audubon Society will be held to-morrow afternoon at 4 o'clock in the rooms of

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appeal to the Well-Informed in every walk of life and are essential to permanent success and creditable standing. Accordingly, it is not claimed that Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna is the only remedy of known value, but one of many reasons why it is the best of personal and family laxatives is the fact that it cleanses, sweetens and relieves the internal organs on which it acts without any debilitating after effects and without having to increase the quantity from time to time.

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Personal Mention. Miss Mary Osborne Templeton, of Wayneboro, will leave on the 1st of April for New York, where she will be the only out-of-town bridesmaid at the Vollmer-Pettinger wedding, which will take place on April 14.

Miss Cary Valentine is rapidly improving at her home, 918 West Franklin Street.

Miss Maria Moseley leaves to-day for Hot Springs, accompanied by Miss Elizabeth Armstrong.

Mrs. M. E. Peatross spent a few days in Richmond recently on her way from Bowling Green to Norfolk, where she is having a delightful stay.

Mrs. W. H. Adams has returned to her home on West Grace Street after a pleasant stay of ten days with relatives in Charleston, W. Va.

Miss Grace Perkins, of 414 West Franklin Street, is home from Washington, where she went for the inauguration.

Mrs. Mann Valentine has returned from a very pleasant stay at her country home, "Belle Nemo," in Powhatan county, where she spent some time delightfully in country pleasures.

Miss Ellen Broadus was the guest last week for a few days of Miss Besse Ryland at her home on West Grace Street.

Miss Lettice Woodward, of Stuart Hall, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Minor Woodward, at the Chesapeake Hotel. Miss Woodward is a very popular young girl, and has shown marked musical talent since she has been a student at Stuart Hall.

Albert Sidney Johnston Camp, United Sons of Confederate Veterans, is planning to have a benefit entertainment just after Easter in Roanoke. The Sons held a very interesting meeting recently and made a number of plans for the future.

Miss Pattle Abert Cary has returned home from spending the week-end with Miss Annie White, of Bowling Green, Va.

Mrs. Clara A. Harvey, of Roanoke, has announced the engagement of her daughter, Mary Atwood, to Edmund Schaefer, Jr., the wedding to take place in June.

Miss Nannie McCandlish, who has been the attractive guest of Miss Josephine Tyler, at her home, 516 West Franklin Street, has returned to Stuart Hall.

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A VACANT CHAIR In the household may have been unnecessary if the parents had done their duty and bought a bottle of GOWAN'S PNEUMONIA PREPARATION and had it ready when croup and pneumonia came. It gives quick relief for colds, coughs, pains and soreness and ailments where inflammation and congestion are the cause. External—absorbed. All druggists \$1.00 to 25c. Buy to-day and have a vacant chair in the home.

Four to Be Indicted. There are four yet to be indicted—John Brown, Ollie Ross, Mollie Johnson and Nannie Taylor, whose cases will be acted on by the grand jury to-morrow morning. The actual trial will not begin until to-morrow at noon, when Judge George J. Slaughter will arrive from Farmville. Most of the time to-morrow, it is expected, will be taken up with the four indictments and the paneling of the jury. The lawyers for the defense will be Haskins Hobson and William Justis, both of Powhatan county, and H. M. Smith, of Richmond, who will defend Nannie Taylor. The first two lawyers were assigned to the defense by the court, and Mr. Smith was engaged.

Both the Taylors and Lewis Jenkins, the alleged chief of criminals, are in the Farmville jail. They will be brought here to-morrow morning. There is little doubt of their conviction and of the conviction of John Brown. The prisoners brought here to-day will be used as Commonwealth's witnesses, and it is improbable that they will be given the extreme penalty. The two Taylors and Jenkins will be brought here either this tonight or to-morrow morning by Deputy Sheriff Michaux. The trial will probably be completed Thursday afternoon.

Try Five Principals. After an agreement between the lawyers for both sides it has been decided to try only the five principals—Joe and Isham Taylor, Lewis Jenkins, William Brown and John Brown—at this term of court. The others will be tried at the next term.

Thirty-six veniremen have been summoned for the jury, as follows: J. K. Barden, A. A. Rude, J. A. Cosby, J. W. Braudrick, Martin McKale, W. S. Porter, E. C. Nichols, M. P. Henning, George W. Coleman, C. C. Cosby, S. A. Baughan, J. B. Breudrick, D. M. Toman, J. E. Porter, F. M. Lewis, M. B. Blanton, J. H. Wray, E. M. Bonifant, E. P. Martin, J. D. Laprade, H. T. Sledge, C. Brown, J. S. Downey, D. E. Brown, John L. Scott, W. B. Parker, R. H. Sledge, George M. Harris, C. R. Kennon, L. E. Flippin, W. B. Condry, C. A.

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DID NOT TAKE BROWN Authorities Take Three Suspects to Trial, But Leave Principal.

Deputy Sheriff Taylor and Constable Burch of Henrico county, left for Powhatan county yesterday morning at 11 o'clock, with Stephen Johnson, Fleming Johnson and Robert Taylor, charged with being accessories in the murder of Walter G. Johnson and Mrs. Mary Skipwith on February 12. The trial begins this morning.

Shortly before the posse left the jail yesterday, a telegram was received from Sheriff E. A. Baugh instructing them to leave John Brown, who is thought to be one of the principals in the murder in the county jail until he came for him. Suspicion points to Brown as being one of the ring leaders of the gang that committed the murder and afterwards burned the house. The boys who were taken to Powhatan yesterday have confessed to the part they took, but Brown has refused to make any statement in regard to the case.

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